seems entirely different, as the language
happens to be derived from an entirely different
stock and so very highly prejudiced a stock too
against the Aryan, since the very beginning of
days.

Unless I had found in him an interpreter,
to explain things to me through the medium of
the English language, 1 know how* I should
have fared with regard to learning that jargon
of the linguistic wilderness and tautology. Still
for all that, there was at least this one com-
mendable feature with regard to modern Tamil,
in as much as it has contrived to . swell its
'corpus* with the help of quite a multitude of
words and phrases culled from Sanskrit
vocabulary and diction. Before I had met my
interpreter, it was my habit, carefully to note
the sprinkling of Sanskrit words that fell on
my ear in the course of their conversation; and
with the help of those, to construct a meaning,
often totally wide of the mark and directly con-
tradictory to what was going on; which wher

explained to me by some by-stander
in broker
English or Hindustani, made me
laugh oftei
quite heartily at the ingenuity and
skill wit!